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SUBJ: 58TH ECOSOC: SOCIAL COMMITTEE-REFERENCE TO CHARTER
OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES (CERDS) IN
RESOLUTION OF COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT (CSD)

1. MORNING MEETING THURSDAY, APRIL 10 REVEALED FEW ELEMENTS OF
CONTENTION IN ANY OF NINE RESES APPEARING IN REPORT OF CSD (E/5617)
EXCEPT FOR RES VII, WORLD SOCIAL SITUATION. THIS RES CONSISTS OF
TWO BRIEF PARAS SUBMITTED FOR ADOPTION BY ECOSOC. FIRST PARA
STATES THAT ECOSOC "1. ENDORSES THE VIEWS SET OUT IN THE STATEMENT
ON THE WORLDSOCIAL SITUATION IN THE FIRST HALF OF THE SECOND UN
DEVELOPMENT DECADE." THIS STATEMENT OF THE CSD WAS MOST CONTENTIOUS
ISSUE IN 24CSD BECAUSE IT CONTAINS SENTENCE THAT"....THE
INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY, THE DECLARATION ON SOCIAL PRO-
GRESS AND THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS AND DUTIES OF STATES
SHOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES FOR NATIONAL INTERNATIONAL
ACTION." (USUN 240).

2. IN ACCORDANCE POSITION PAPER UNEC D-315/75, REV.1 ON REPORT OF
CSD, US REP PICKER SUGGESTED MODIFYING WORDING OF THIS PART OF CSD
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STATEMENT TO READ "....CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RITHGS AND DUTIES

OF STATES SHOULD CONTINUE TO PROVIDE GUIDELINES, AS APPROPRIATE, FOR NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACTION TO IMPROVE OVERALL SOCIAL CONDITIONS."

3. UK REP, SUPPORTED BY BRAZILIAN REP, OBSERVED THAT PROCEDURALLY ECOSOC COULD AMEND RES SUBMITTED FOR ITS APPROVAL BUT COULD NOT ALTER WORDING OF STATEMENT APPROVED BY CSD. IN INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS WITH EGYPT, WHICH PRINCIPAL SPOKESMAN FOR CERDS IN SOCIAL COMITE, UK SUGGESTED FIRST PARA BE REWORDED TO READ "1. TAKES NOTE OF VIEWS SET OUT IN THE STATEMENT, ETC." WHEN EGYPTIAN COULD NOT ACCEPT THIS, UK SUGGESTED "1. ENDORSES GENERALLY THE VIEWS SET OUT IN THE STATEMENT...." EGYPTIAN TOOK THIS UNDER ADVISEMENT. AFTER DEPARTURE OF EGYPTIAN, PRC REP TOLD UK AND USUN MISOFF THAT HIS DEL OBJECTED TO REFERENCE TO DISARMAMENT IN PARA 11 OF STATEMENT AND WOULD SO INFORM COMITE TOMORROW.

4. WITH SEVERAL WEO DELS HAVING DIFFICULTY WITH REFERENCE TO CERDS AND WITH CHINESE DISPLEASED WITH DISARMAMENT, IT MAY BE POSSIBLE TO OBTAIN ACCEPTANCE OF WORD "GENERALLY." REQUEST INSTRUCTIONS AS TO WHETHER THIS MODIFICATION ACCEPTABLE TO DEPT. IN EVENT THIS NOT ACCEPTABLE, WOULD DEPT PREFERE THAT US DEL ATTEMPT INSERT ASTERISK AFTER "ENDORSES" FOLLOWED BY FOOTNOTE USED IN SIMILAR SITUATION IN CONSULTATIVE COMITE ON WCIWY, NAMELY, "REFERENCE TO CERDS IN THE STATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE INTERPRETED AS INDICATING A CHANGE IN THE POSITIONS OF DELS ON THE CHARTER AS STATED AT THE 29TH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY." BENNETT

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